GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Non-Teaching Duties of Teachers
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken the cognizance of the report of the National University of Educational Planning and Administration that teachers in urban areas spend 17 of 224 days of work doing nonacademic work and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has issued directive to its affiliate schools not to engage teachers in activities other than those of teaching, professional enhancement, conduct of examination and evaluation etc. and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the CBSE Circular has that the teachers in affiliated schools should not be engaged in such ministerial activities as the plying of transport and running of canteens etc. and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

(a) to (d): The Government has taken steps to study involvement of teachers in non-teaching activities and its impact on education. As per the mandate given under Section 27 of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, no teacher shall be deployed for any non-educational purpose other than the decennial population census, disaster relief duties or duties relating to elections to the local authority or State legislature or Parliament, as the case may be. Hence Government has decided to draw a policy for compensating the teaching-learning hours for the time spent by teachers on other than school related activities. Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has issued directive to all its affiliated schools in October, 2016 to ensure that teachers should not engage in activities other than those related to direct teaching, professional up-gradation, examination and evaluation. The directive also states that separate trained staff require to be deployed by the schools for ministerial, transport and canteen activities.
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